Uncommon Read: Think and Grow Rich - IDH 2930

Class Periods: Tuesdays, period 8 (3 – 3:50 p.m.)

Location: LIT 0119 Academic Term: Fall 2017

Instructor:

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Course Description

What do you want most—is it money, fame, power, contentment, personality, peace of mind, happiness? How do you make your life a masterpiece? Do you ride the wave of change, or ignore it? Is making money a selfish or immoral goal? How do you become a force for good? Students will address these questions through the reading of one of the best-selling books of business and leadership in the world: Think and Grow Rich by Napoleon Hill. "The Thirteen Steps to Riches described in this book offer the shortest dependable philosophy of individual achievement ever presented for the benefit of the man or woman who is searching for a definite goal in life." This book describes the experience of more than 500 people of great wealth and influence. It captures the common threads of actions, skills, and behaviors that allowed them to go from scratch to success.

Objectives

Today's students want to be engaged and energized in their pursuit of an education. They want to remain passionate about their dreams and the many rewards it can bring including making money. This course seeks to engage students in exploring their personal goals and developing an actionable plan for their education at UF and their career beyond.

Materials and Supply Fees

None.

Recommended Materials

"Think and Grow Rich" by Napoleon Hill

Course Schedule

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: Desire Week 3: Faith

Week 4: Auto-Suggestion

Week 5: Specialized Knowledge

Week 6: Imagination

Week 7: Organized Planning

Week 8: Decision
Week 9: Persistence

Week 10: Power of the Master Mind

Week 11: The Mystery of Sex Transmutation

Week 12: The Subconcious Mind

Week 13: The Brain

Week 14: The Sixth Sense

Attendance Policy, Class Expectations, and Make-Up Policy

Even though attendance is not required, it is extremely important that students attend the class regularly. If you miss a class **you are responsible** for finding out from a classmate what we did in class. Irregular attendance always results in poor or mediocre performance. Excused absences must be consistent with university policies in the undergraduate catalog (https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx) and require appropriate documentation.

Evaluation of Grades

Assignment	Percentage of Final Grade
Readings	20%
Class Participation	10%
Writing Assignments	40%
Final Presentation	30%

Assessment Methods: Your grade for this course will be determined based on <u>your performance</u> on completion of reading and writing assignments, and class participation

Grading Policy

Percent	Grade	Grade
		Points
>90	A	4.00
80-89	В	3.00
70-79	С	2.00
60-69	D	1.00
0 - 59	Е	0.00

More information on UF grading policy may be found at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Honor Policy

Students who enroll at the University commit to holding themselves and their peers to the high standard of honor required by the Honor Code. Any individual who becomes aware of a violation of the Honor Code is bound by honor to take corrective action. Student and faculty support are crucial to the success of the Honor Code. The quality of a University of Florida education is dependent upon the community acceptance and enforcement of the Honor Code. All work submitted in this course must be your own and produced exclusively for this course. The use of sources (ideas, quotations, paraphrases) must be properly acknowledged and documented. For the copy of the UF Honor Code and consequences of academic dishonesty, please refer to

http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/honorcodes/honorcode.php. Violations will be taken seriously and are noted on student disciplinary records. If you are in doubt regarding the requirements, please consult with the instructor before you complete any requirement of the course.

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, https://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

University Honesty Policy

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Software Use

All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

Student Privacy

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html

Campus Resources:

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care:

Your well-being is important to the University of Florida. The U Matter, We Care initiative is committed to creating a culture of care on our campus by encouraging members of our community to look out for one another and to reach out for help if a member of our community is in need. If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu so that the U Matter, We Care Team can reach out to the student in distress. A nighttime and weekend crisis counselor is available by phone at 352-392-1575. The U Matter, We Care Team can help connect students to the many other helping resources available including, but not limited to, Victim Advocates, Housing staff, and the Counseling and Wellness Center. Please remember that asking for help is a sign of strength. In case of emergency, call 9-1-1.

Counseling and Wellness Center: http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc, and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

University Police Department at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or http://www.police.ufl.edu/.

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu. https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml.

Career Resource Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. https://www.crc.ufl.edu/.

Library Support, http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask. Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/.

Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/.

Student Complaints Campus: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/documents/UF Complaints policy.pdf.

On-Line Students Complaints: http://www.distance.ufl.edu/student-complaint-process.